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Applicant(s) : CHEN et al.  
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Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action dated April 18, 2007, the applicants respectfully request reconsideration in view of the following amendments and remarks. Applicant respectfully submits herewith a Request for Continued Examination, Form PTO/SB/30, and a Petition for an Extension of Time Under 37 CFR1.136(a), Form PTO/SB/22.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.